IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA

MISC.CIVIL APPLICATION NO. 159 OF 2007
IN
STAMP NUMBER MAIN NO. 57 OF 2007

THE LAND ACQUISITION OFFICER, PWD (CELL) AND ANR ... Applicants

Versus

SHRI. GHANASHAM VITHAL S. PRABHU DESSAI ... Respondent

Ms. Winnie Coutinho, Govt. Advocate for the applicants.

Mr. Ajit Kantak, Advocate for the respondent.

Coram:- S.A. BOBDE, J.

Date:- 28th June, 2007

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Heard. This is an application for condonation of delay of a period of 44 days. As usual, the reason given is movement of file for opinion in various Government Departments. This, according to the deponent is not negligence, but compliance of Government procedure.

2. Mr. Kantak, learned Counsel for the respondent states that the movement alleged by the applicant is not supported by any document to indicate that the file has actually moved in the manner stated in the application. The non-applicant has also expressed surprise why the file went upto the Minister for Law and then the Secretary, P.W.D. and then the P.W.D. Minister. Indeed, there is no explanation about the file having gone to these Ministers. The absence of explanation does not mean that the file, in fact, was not sent to the Ministers.

3. There is no reason to refuse the condonation of delay. The delay

is, hereby, condoned.

S.A. BOBDE, J.

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